



KDE Mobile App

Program Overview

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Vision

Making KDE Information and data accessible anywhere, any time.

The Kentucky Department of Education (KDE) recognizes that consumers need to access information in a variety of ways: on their desktop PC, via tablet or smartphone; on wired connections and over-the-air. And these needs are not restricted to 9 – 5.

In early 2011, KDE launched the Mobile App Program to determine how to meet these mobile needs. It is the Mobile App Program which will help guide the department when determining whether each information source requires a mobile app, or if mobile-friendly formatting on the web is sufficient.

When a mobile app is required, the Mobile App Program will provide guidance to KDE and K-12 in the design and procurement of development services for mobile apps. KDE has developed a working partnership with Northern Kentucky University (NKU) and their Center for Applied Informatics (CAI) to provide services for Apple iOS development for iPhones, iPods and iPads as well as Android development for smartphones and tablets.

Through this working relationship, we have produced KETS Alerts for iOS and Android and KDE News for iOS. We have used internal Microsoft .NET development resources to produce KETS Alerts and KDE News for Windows Phone. KETS Alerts was launched in Q3 2011, and KDE News is nearing completion (July 2012).

Moving forward, the Mobile App Program will continue to mold processes and understanding to improve access to data and information from an evolving landscape of devices.